Feedback Loop Network Analyzer Shreeharshini Dharanesh Murthy, Qiang Du January 26, 2023

1 Introduction

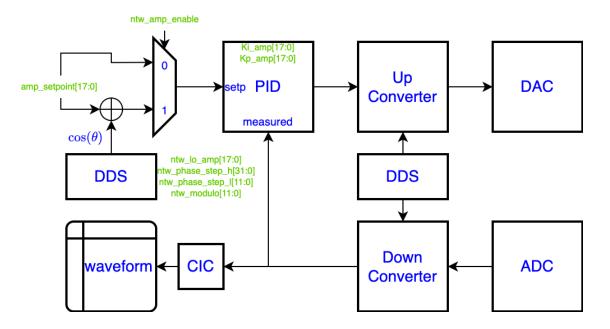
LLRF system feedback loops have optimization routine, to determine optimal operating point, using a 'network analyzer' probe technique for feedback frequency response analysis, the well known Bode plot. This is done by injecting a known excitation tone to the feedback controller through the setpoint, and measure the response amplitude and phase. If one can scan excitation tone over the bandwidth of interest, the Bode plot can be obtained. The same process is applied to both amplitude and phase loops. In this lab you have the choice of either amplitude or phase loop characterization.

1.1 Firmware details

The excitation tone is generated by an additional DDS unit in the firmware, through the usual registers of phase step high, low and modulo, plus its amplitude control register.

The excitation tone would only be added to the normal loop setpoint if the network analyzer is enabled, through register ntw_amp_enable.

Firmware level block diagram for amplitude loop:



The same is for phase loop, except the register names has phs instead of amp.

1.2 Steps

- 1. Confirm system is in normal closed-loop operation state, with certain conditions such as RF power level.
- 2. A known excitation signal (a single frequency tone, or a chirp) is generated and added on the setpoint of either amplitude or phase loop. This signal is synchronous to waveform triggering, so the measured result would be consistent across waveforms.
- 3. Record waveform of interest, for example, cavity cell amplitude or phase waveform.
- 4. If using a single frequency tone excitation, scan the tone frequency across analyze bandwidth of 10 Hz to 100 kHz, and record waveform accordingly.
- 5. Compute frequency response (amplitude and phase) between the excitation signal and measured waveform, derive bode plot.
- 6. Explore different gain settings, find amplitude margin and phase margin for stability.

1.3 EPICS PVs:

Note: all raw registers like reg_* have separate write and read-back PVs.

To write a raw register such as USPAS:LLRF:reg_amp_loop_enable:

caput USPAS:LLRF:reg_amp_loop_enable 0

To read it back, read the PV with _RBV as suffix.

caget USPAS:LLRF:reg_amp_loop_enable_RBV

Waveform:

- USPAS:LLRF:CavCel:AWF Holds cavity cell amplitude data, in counts
- USPAS:LLRF:CavCel:PWF Holds cavity cell phase data, in degrees
- USPAS:LLRF:CavCel:TWF Holds cavity cell time data, in microsecond
- USPAS:LLRF:ACQ_SAMP_PERIOD Waveform sampling period
- USPAS:LLRF:ACQ_DECIM Waveform decimation value

Amplitude loop:

- USPAS:LLRF:Loop:AmpSetp Holds amplitude loop setpoint value, calibrated with waveform
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_amp_setpoint Holds amplitude loop setpoint value, raw
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_amp_loop_enable Enables amplitude loop
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_amp_loop_reset Resets amplitude loop
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_Kp_amp Amplitude loop proportional gain
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_Ki_amp Amplitude loop integral gain

Phase loop:

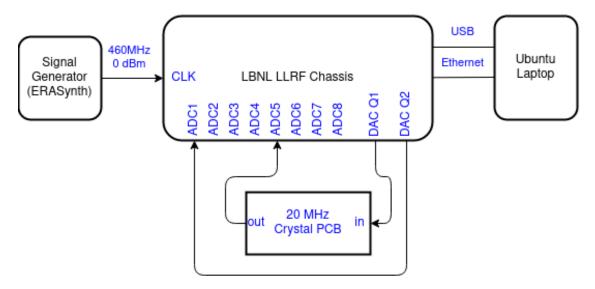
- USPAS:LLRF:Loop:PhsSetp Holds phase loop setpoint value, calibrated with waveform
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_phs_setpoint Holds phase loop setpoint value, raw

- USPAS:LLRF:reg_phs_loop_enable Enables phase loop
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_phs_loop_reset Resets phase loop
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_Kp_phs Phase loop proportional gain
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_Ki_phs Phase loop integral gain

Network analyzer:

- USPAS:LLRF:reg_ntw_amp_enable Enables amplitude loop network analyzer feature
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_ntw_phs_enable Enables phase loop network analyzer feature
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_ntw_lo_amp Network analyyer amplitude value
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_ntw_phase_step_h Network analyze major resolution value, like DDS minor resolution
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_ntw_phase_step_1 Network analyze minor resolution value, like DDS major resolution
- USPAS:LLRF:reg_ntw_modulo Network analyze modulo value, like DDS modulo

1.4 Hardware setup



Connect the system as shown in the diagram, so we have both direct loop back on ADC1 and with 20 MHz crystal in the system on ADC5. The firmware has identical DAC Q1 and DAC Q2 output, as we previously measured on the DAC characterization lab.

1.5 Firmware and software setup

- Configure FPGA chassis using the provided marble_zest_top_uspas.bit;
- Start EPICS IOC on the connected laptop computer;
- Run Phoebus GUI on the connected laptop computer;

• Note: Phase shift/error caused by cic decimation in the FPGA waveform capture module is 14.442 radians. Measured by sweeping the decimation factor from 1 to 127 at a given frequency.

2 Exercises

- 2.1 Run EPICS Phoebus interface
- 2.2 Close both amplitude and phase loops
- 2.3 Enable either amplitude or phase network analyzer feature and run frequency sweep routine
- 2.4 Capture cavity cell amplitude/phase data along with the time data. Compensate for CIC phase error.
- 2.5 Calculate closed loop transfer function
- 2.6 Calculate open loop transfer function based on closed loop transfer function
- 2.7 Plot amplitude and phase bode plots
- 2.8 Calculate gain and phase margins

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[1]: import numpy as np
     import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
     import matplotlib as mpl
     import time
     import numpy.fft
     import ntw analyzer
     from scipy import signal
     from numpy import savetxt, loadtxt
     from scipy import signal
     from scipy.signal.windows import flattop
     plt.rcParams['figure.figsize'] = [6, 4]
     plt.rcParams['axes.grid'] = True
     plt.rcParams['axes.grid.which'] = "both"
     plt.rcParams['grid.linewidth'] = 0.5
     plt.rcParams['grid.alpha'] = 0.5
     plt.rcParams['font.size'] = 8
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[12]: from epics import PV
  import os
  os.environ['EPICS_CA_ADDR_LIST'] = 'localhost'
  os.environ['EPICS_CA_AUTO_ADDR_LIST'] = 'NO'

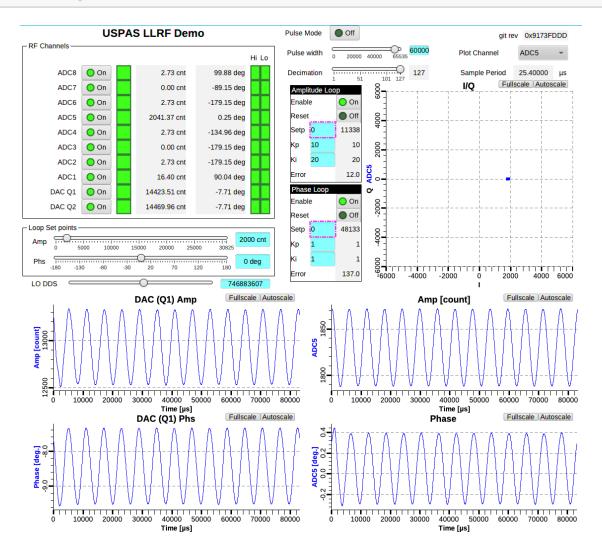
prefix = 'USPAS:LLRF:'
  pvs = {
    'cav_cel_amp_wfm': PV(prefix + 'CavCel:AWF'),
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'cav_cel_phs_wfm': PV(prefix + 'CavCel:PWF'),
         'cav_cel_time_wf': PV(prefix + 'CavCel:TWF'),
         'amp_loop_setp': PV(prefix + 'Loop:AmpSetp'),
         'amp_loop_setp_eslo': PV(prefix + 'Loop:AmpSetp.ESLO'),
         'amp_loop_kp': PV(prefix + 'reg_Kp_amp'),
         'amp loop ki': PV(prefix + 'reg Ki amp'),
         'phs_loop_setp': PV(prefix + 'Loop:PhsSetp'),
         'phs_loop_kp': PV(prefix + 'reg_Kp_phs'),
         'phs_loop_ki': PV(prefix + 'reg_Ki_phs'),
         'amp_loop_enable': PV(prefix + 'reg_amp_loop_enable'),
         'phs_loop_enable': PV(prefix + 'reg_phs_loop_enable'),
         'ntw_amp_enable': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_amp_enable'),
         'ntw_phs_enable': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_phs_enable'),
         'ntw_reset': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_reset'),
         'ntw_lo_amp': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_lo_amp'),
         'ntw_phase_step_h': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_phase_step_h'),
         'ntw_phase_step_l': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_phase_step_l'),
         'ntw_modulo': PV(prefix + 'reg_ntw_modulo'),
         'amp_loop_reset': PV(prefix + 'reg_amp_loop_reset'),
         'phs_loop_reset': PV(prefix + 'reg_phs_loop_reset'),
         'samp period': PV(prefix + 'ACQ SAMP PERIOD'),
         'wave_decim': PV(prefix + 'ACQ_DECIM'),
         'wave samp per': PV(prefix + 'reg wave samp per')
     }
[4]: import sys
     sys.path.append('..')
     from dds.dds import reg2freq, calc_dds
[9]: f_tone = 100 # Hz
     fs = 115e6
     den = 23
     num = f_tone * den / fs
     ph, pl, modulo = calc_dds(num, den, dwh=32, dwl=12)
     print(ph, pl, modulo)
     fdds = reg2freq(ph, pl, modulo, fs, dwh=32, dwl=12)
     print(f'New DDS Freq: {fdds:.2f} Hz')
    3734 3087 2
    major resolution: 0.027 Hz
    minor resolution: 0.000 Hz
    modulo resolution: 0.000 Hz
    New DDS Freq: 100.00 Hz
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[10]: pvs['ntw_lo_amp'].value = 150
    pvs['ntw_modulo'].value = modulo
    pvs['ntw_phase_step_l'].value = pl
    pvs['ntw_phase_step_h'].value = ph
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Turn on amplitude ntw excitation

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[13]: pvs['ntw_amp_enable'].value = 1
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[14]: def drive_ntw(f_tone=100, den=23, fs=115e6):
    num = f_tone * den / fs
    ph, pl, modulo = calc_dds(num, den, dwh=32, dwl=12)
    pvs['ntw_lo_amp'].value = 150
    pvs['ntw_modulo'].value = modulo
    pvs['ntw_phase_step_l'].value = pl
    pvs['ntw_phase_step_h'].value = ph
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